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In re Application of:

Berman, et al.

Serial No. 09/942,220

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For:

SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR

OPTIMIZING THE ELECTROSTATIC REMOVAL OF A WORKPIECE FROM

A CHUCK

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Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed January 2, 2003 to further highlight reasons why the captioned application is in condition for allowance. Please amend the case as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 7 of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.